

Remarks

Subsequent to Applicants' response of February 28, 2005 to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2004, Applicants discovered a clerical error in the present application. In particular, in the first paragraph of the specification and in the Application Data Sheets filed to date, the filing date of international application PCT/US00/24518 has been incorrectly listed as "September 27, 2000" instead of "September 7, 2000". Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a request to amend the first paragraph of the specification to show the correct filing date for PCT/US00/24518 application as September 7, 2000. Applicants also submit herewith a Supplemental Application Data Sheet wherein this same error has been corrected.

Applicants note that since the present application entered national stage under 35 U.S.C. 371 from PCT/US00/24518, this application does not "claim benefit" of PCT/US00/2451 under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120, 121, or 365(c), therefore, the amendment of the filing date made herein is not an amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3).

In evidence of the filing date of PCT/US00/24518, Applicants also submit herewith the PCT application face page as published by the World Intellectual Property Organization. No new matter has been added.

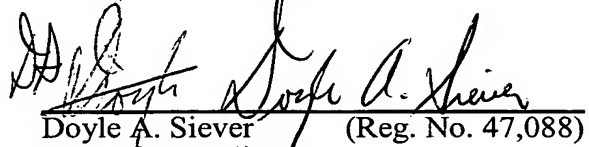
Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests that the above-made amendments and remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the instant application. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

If there are any fees, not already accounted for, due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which is not accounted for

above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Doyle A. Siever", is written over a horizontal line.

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